Dear Sisters,

Wish you all a very Happy Feast of the Epiphany of our Lord! It was on this day that Jesus was manifested as the Saviour of the whole world. A star guided the three wise men to the stable of Bethlehem, where lay the New Born King, whom they offered gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh knowing that He was both human and Divine. Let us also raise our eyes to heaven and be guided by the Star of Bethlehem.



After having encountered Jesus, they were told by an Angel to return back to their homes taking another route. This is exactly what is expected of us as we celebrate this Feast. We come to Jesus with all our human frailties following a path of our choice, but after having a genuine encounter with Him we are filled with grace and are guided on a path leading to love and life.

This year on this feast that is on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021, we have so many occasions to rejoice and thank the Lord:

- *Sr. Seema Panna and Sr. Primila Lakra* will begin their preparations for Perpetual Profession in the community of Good Counsel, Rome.
- Sr. Helen Obiekwe Abuja, Sr. Benedine Chinweokwu Bellshill, Sr. Agnieszka Kowalska Bromley and Sr. Theresa Nguyen Anh Hong Clamart, will be renewing their vows.
- Novices Lucia Hieu, Maria Uyen, Maria Y Woi and Teresa Dao at Long Thanh (Vietnam); Celestina Gurmeet Malik, Barihunlin Marwein and Sonia Malik at Nagpur (India) will be making their First Profession.
- Postulants Patience Ezugwu Ugoye and Zita Mary Obakude at Abuja (Nigeria); Thambi Rani Bandanadham, Shara Thalari, Maria Mol Vadakkeuthirakkallu and Mattibashisha Marwein at Nagpur (India) will commence their Novitiate.
- Nancy Tirkey, Mishal Kerketta, Smitha Sagarika Kispotta, Anisha Iawphnia and Pynshai Dkhar will begin their postulancy at Nagpur.

We thank the Lord for the gift of their vocation and rejoice together as these events are always reasons for celebration for our entire Claverian Family. We wish them all God's blessings as they take a step forward in their Religious Life.

I would also like to inform you that *Sr. Margaret Peramangalath* has been suffering from pneumonia and her health seems to be deteriorating. Kindly keep her in your prayers.

As all our communities are placed in different time zones sometimes there is lag in communicating some important information to all the sisters on our WhatsApp group. Therefore, we have decided to give access of administration to all the Local Superiors, so they can directly communicate news of importance to the group.

Let us hold fast to our faith as we commence this New Year and continue to serve God's people following the footsteps of our Mother Foundress. Let us remain united in prayer imploring God's intervention that soon we might be freed from the pandemic which has affected the whole world.

In communion of prayer and with profound affection,